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To:

Surface Transportation Board

From: Rodd A. Hale, Village Administrator, Village of Versailles, Ohio

Re:

STB Docket No. FD 35523, CSX Transportation, Inc. -Joint Use-Louisville and Indiana Railroad

Company, Inc.: Consultation on Scope of Supplemental Environmental Assessment.

Date:

April 3, 2014

This message is to clearly state the opposition of the Village of Versailles, Ohio towards any additional rail traffic through the Village of Versailles. Currently, it is estimated 28 trains per day travel through our community. It is felt by Village Council and Mayor Jeff A. Subler that any additional rail traffic would be detrimental to the citizens of the village.

Our obvious concerns are the increased noise, vibration, vehicle delay, emergency response, and grade crossing safety. Additionally, a bridge locally called the "1919" bridge, which carries the local rail tracks, and is the responsibility of CSX Transportation, Inc is dilapidated and already in disrepair. Additional traffic would accelerate this deterioration and we believe this is already a safety hazard.

The Village of Versailles is adamantly opposed to any additional traffic coming through the village. If it is so determined that additional rail traffic will occur, we request repairs to the bridge immediately west of the village receive due repair prior to any increased traffic.

Respectfully,

Rodd A. Hale

Village Administrator

Village of Versailles, OH

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